

MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
OIL POLLUTION ACT OF 1990
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF OIL SPILL FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) requires us to inform you that the Minerals Management Service (MMS) collects this information to:

1. Provide a standard method for establishing eligibility for certification of oil spill financial responsibility (COFR) for offshore facilities;
2. Identify and maintain a record of those offshore facilities that have a potential oil spill liability;
3. Establish and maintain a continuous record, over the liability term specified in Title I of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, of financial evidence and instruments established to pay claims for oil spill cleanup and damages resulting from operations conducted on offshore facilities and the transportation of oil from offshore platforms and wells;
4. Establish and maintain a continuous record of Responsible Parties, as defined in Title I of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and their agents for certification of oil spill financial responsibility for offshore facilities; and
5. Establish and maintain a continuous record, over the liability term specified in Title I of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, of persons to contact and U.S. agents for service of process for claims associated with oil spills from offshore facilities.

The MMS will routinely use the information to:

1. Ensure compliance of offshore lessees and owners and operators of offshore facilities with Title I of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990;
2. Establish eligibility of applicants for COFRs; and
3. Establish a reference source of names, addresses, and telephone numbers of Responsible Parties for offshore facilities and their designated agents and guarantors for claims associated with oil pollution from designated offshore facilities.

Response to this request is mandatory (33 U.S.C. 2716). No confidential or proprietary information is required to be submitted. The MMS considers oil spill financial responsibility demonstrations, including supporting audited financial statements, to be public information open for review under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number. The combined public reporting burden for an application for certification of oil spill financial responsibility is estimated to average 80 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the application. The average burden for each of the nine forms that could comprise an application is:

Form MMS 1016, Designated Applicant Information Certification	1	hour
Form MMS 1017, Designation of Applicant	9	hours
Form MMS 1018, Self-insurance or Indemnity Information	1	hour
Form MMS 1019, Insurance Certificate	120	hours
Form MMS 1020, Surety Bond	24	hours
Form MMS 1021, Covered Offshore Facilities	3	hour
Form MMS 1022, Covered Offshore Facility Changes	1	hour

Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Mail Stop 4230, Minerals Management Service, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB Control No. 1010-0106), 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

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